

SENATE BILL 179
By McLeary

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 3, to increase the penalty for the offense of stalking.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-315, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

(b)

(1) Stalking is a Class E felony.

(2) A second or subsequent violation occurring within ten (10) years of the prior conviction that involves different victims is a Class D felony.

(3) A second or subsequent violation occurring within ten (10) years of the prior conviction that involves the same victim is a Class C felony.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005 the public welfare requiring it.